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AMENDMENT

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action of May 23, 2001, amendment to the above-identified patent application is requested. In addition, please consider the following remarks.

In the Claims

Please cancel claims 31-35 without prejudice or disclaimer.

REMARKS

Claims 1-5, 7-9 and 25-30 are pending. By this Amendment, claims 31-35 are canceled without prejudice. The pending claims stand rejected over the prior art. Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the rejections based on the following comments.

Restriction/Election

The Examiner maintained the restriction with respect to claims 31-35 in view of Applicants' Petition of February 20, 2001. While Applicants believe that these claims should be